

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Mitsuvuki KANBE et al Art Unit: tion No.: 10/535,256 Confirmation No.: 5976 Examiner: Filing Date: November 20, 2003 Washington, D.C. 371(c) Date: May 18, 2005 Atty.'s Docket: KANBE =3 HIGH PULLULAN CONTENT LIQUID AND METHOD FOR... Date: July 26, 2005 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Customer Service Window Randolph Building, Mail Stop AMENDMENT 401 Dulany Street Alexandria, VA 22314 Sir: Transmitted herewith is a [XX] PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT in the above-identified application. [] Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted [] A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed. IXXI No additional fee is required. The fee has been calculated as shown below: OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY (Col. 1) SMALL ENTITY (Col. 2) (Col. 3) HIGHEST NO. ADDITIONAL CLAIMS PRESENT ADDITIONAL RATE OR RATE REMAINING **PREVIOUSLY EXTRA** FEE FEE PAID FOR AFTER **EQUALS** AMENDMENT 0 25 \$ \$ TOTAL MINUS 50 INDEP MINUS 3 0 100 \$ 200 \$ FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM \$ \$ 180 360 ADDITIONAL FEE TOTAL \$ OR **TOTAL** \$ If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3. If the "Highest Number Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space. If the "Highest Number Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space. The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (total or independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment of the number of claims originally filed. Conditional Petition for Extension of Time If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor. [] It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below: Small Entity Other Than Small Entity Response Filed Within Response Filed Within First \$ 60.00 First \$ 120.00 Second -\$ 225.00 \$ 450.00 Third \$ 510.00 Third \$ 1020.00 Fourth \$ 795.00 Fourth \$1,590.00 Month After Time Period Set Month After Time Period Set

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR §1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR §1.18.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, and prior to calculation of the filing fee, kindly amend as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.